

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

RAOUL FLORENT ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/855,629

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Title: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, SYSTEM AND EXAMINATION APPARATUS FOR
EXTRACTING A THREADLIKE STRUCTURE IN A NOISY DIGITAL IMAGE

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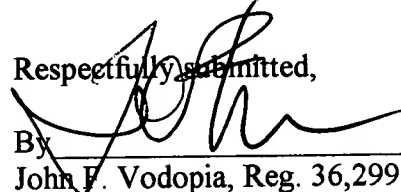
Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of ONE (1) month to respond to the OFFICE ACTION mailed on July 30, 2004. The extension extends the time period for response up to November 30, 2004. Filed herewith is a complete response to the July 30, 2004, office Action.

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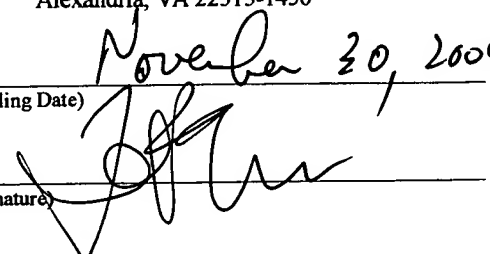
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